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January 24, 2001

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
US. Patent and Trademark Office  
Attn: Security Group, Licensing & Review  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This is to notify you, on behalf of the agency who caused the Secrecy Order to be issued on the below-identified patent application, that an affirmative determination has been made, on behalf of the Secretary of the Navy, that the national interest requires that the invention continue to be kept secret and that the grant of a patent continue to be withheld.

Serial No.: **07/926,199**  
Filed: 08/07/1992  
Inventor: PAUL M. DUNN  
Title: SEMI-CLOSED CYCLE BRAYTON POWER SYSTEM WITH  
DIRECT HEAT TRANSFER  
Prosecuted by: (X) Govt ( ) Contractor ( ) Unknown  
(Navy Case 73348)

The current secrecy order expiration date is 02/14/2001.

Accordingly, it is recommended that the Secrecy Order be renewed.

Sincerely,

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By direction of  
Chief of Naval Research

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